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# What is claimed is:

- 1. A printer device capable of copying and printing image information, comprising:
- a plurality of installation units installing a storage media;
- a first selection unit selecting a first storage medium from among the plurality of storage media installed on said installation units;
- a second selection unit selecting arbitrary image information stored in the first storage medium selected by said first selection unit;
- a third selection unit selecting one of a copying mode in which the image information is copied to a second storage medium different from the first storage medium and a printing mode in which the image information is printed; and
- a mode processing unit processing the arbitrary image information selected by said second selection unit in a first mode selected by said third selection unit, and performing a process in a second mode according to the same image information as in the first mode if the second mode different from the first mode is selected after the process in the first mode is completed.

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The device according to claim 1, wherein said first mode is the printing mode, and said second mode is the copying mode.

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# 3. The device according to claim 1, wherein when, in the second storage medium which is a copying destination, there is a directory having the same name as the first storage medium which is a copying source, the copying mode starts a copying process after automatically generating a directory having a different name in the second storage medium which is a copying destination.

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when, in the second storage medium which is a copying destination, there is a directory having the same name as the first storage medium which is a copying source, the copying mode starts a copying process after automatically generating a directory having a different name in the second storage medium which is a copying destination.

The device according to claim 2, wherein

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5. A printer device capable of copying and printing image information, comprising:

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a plurality of installation means for installing a storage media;

first selection means for selecting a first storage medium from among the plurality of storage media installed on said installation means;

second selection means for selecting arbitrary image information stored in the first storage medium selected by said first selection means;

third selection means for selecting one of a copying mode in which the image information is copied to a second storage medium different from the first storage medium and a printing mode in which the image information is printed; and

mode processing means for processing the arbitrary image information selected by said second selection means in a first mode selected by said third selection means, and performing a process in a second mode according to the same image information as in the first mode if the second mode different from the first mode is selected after the process in the first mode is completed.

- A printer device capable of installing a plurality of storage media, comprising:
- 25 a first selection unit selecting a

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predetermined storage medium from a plurality of installed storage media;

- a second selection unit selecting predetermined image information from image information stored in a first storage medium selected by said first selection unit;
- a printing unit printing predetermined image information selected by said second selection unit;
- a copying unit copying the predetermined image information selected by said second selection unit to a second storage medium selected by said first selection unit;
- a switch unit switching a mode into a printing mode in which said printing unit is driven, a copying mode in which said copying unit is driven, or a printing/copying mode in which said printing unit and said copying unit are substantially simultaneously driven; and
- a control unit controlling said copying unit and said printing unit in the switched-to mode into which said switch unit has switched.
- 7. The device according to claim 6, wherein said second selection unit selects the predetermined image information from among at

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### least:

an all frame specification mode in which all image information stored in the selected first storage medium is specified;

- a reservation mode in which specific image information is arbitrarily specified from image information stored in the selected first storage medium: and
- a camera specification mode in which information preset for the image information stored in the selected first storage medium is specified.
- 8. The device according to claim 7, further comprising
- a display device capable of performing a displaying process for specification of any of the modes and displaying image information, wherein

said control unit allows the mode status and image information selected by said second selection unit to be displayed while an operator is watching the display device.

 The device according to claim 6, wherein said switch unit comprises a printing mode specification portion for specification of the printing mode, a copying mode specification portion for specification of the copying mode, and a printing/copying mode specification portion for specification of the printing/copying mode.

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- 10. The device according to claim 9, wherein when said printing/copying mode specification portion specifies the printing/copying mode, said control unit drives said printing unit, performs the printing process, drives the copying unit, and performs a copying process among storage media.
- 11. The device according to claim 10, wherein there is one second storage medium which is a copying destination.
- 12. The device according to claim 6, wherein when said plurality of storage media are installed on a plurality of storage medium installation units assigned priority orders, and before said first selection unit selects said first storage medium, said control unit determines whether or not readable and displayable image exists, and, when readable and displayable images are contained in the plurality of storage media, a

storage medium having a highest priority order is index-displayed based on the priority order.

13. The device according to claim 6, wherein when said copying mode is performed, said control unit detects a remaining storage capacity of the second storage medium, and issues a warning when said control unit determines that the storage capacity is insufficient.

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14. A printer device capable of installing a plurality of storage media, comprising:

first selection means for selecting a predetermined storage medium from a plurality of installed storage media:

second selection means for selecting predetermined image information from image information stored in a first storage medium selected by said first selection means;

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printing means for printing predetermined image information selected by said second selection means;

copying means for copying the predetermined image information selected by said second selection means to a second storage medium selected by said

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## first selection means;

switch means for switching a mode into a printing mode in which said printing means is driven, a copying mode in which said copying means is driven, or a printing/copying mode in which said printing means and said copying means are substantially simultaneously driven; and

control means for controlling said copying means and said printing means in the switched-to mode into which said switch unit has switched.

- 15. A printer device capable of installing a plurality of storage media, comprising:
- a first selection portion for selecting a first storage medium from a plurality of installed storage media;
  - a second selection portion for selecting predetermined image information from image information stored in the selected first storage medium:
  - a copying unit copying the predetermined image information selected by said second selection portion to a second storage medium different from the first storage medium;
- 25 a printing unit printing predetermined image

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information selected by said second selection portion; and

a continuous drive mode specification portion capable of specifying a continuous drive mode in which an operation of copying the predetermined image information to the second storage medium and an operation of printing the same image information can be continuously performed.

16. The device according to claim 15, wherein said second selection portion selects the

predetermined image information from among at least:

an all frame specification mode in which all image information stored in the selected first storage medium is specified;

a reservation mode in which specific image information is arbitrarily specified from image information stored in the selected first storage medium; and

a camera specification mode in which information preset for the image information stored in the selected first storage medium is specified.

25 17. The device according to claim 15, further

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comprising

a detection unit detecting a remaining storage capacity of a storage medium of a copying destination when the continuous drive mode is specified by said continuous drive mode specification portion.

18. The device according to claim 17, wherein

when said detection unit determines that the remaining storage capacity of the storage medium of the copying destination is small, and a copying operation cannot be performed, only a printing operation is performed.

19. The device according to claim 17, wherein

when said detection unit determines that the remaining storage capacity of the storage medium of the copying destination is small, and a copying operation cannot be performed, a warning that no copy is made is issued, and only a printing operation is performed.

- 20. The device according to claim 16, further comprising:
- 25 a display device capable of displaying the

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selected mode and image information; and

a detection unit detecting a remaining storage capacity of a storage medium of а destination when the continuous drive mode is specified by said continuous drive mode specification portion,

### The device according to claim 20, wherein 21.

when said detection unit determines as a detection result that the remaining storage capacity of the storage medium of the copying destination is small and a copying operation cannot performed, said display device displays a warning that no copy is made, and only a printing operation is performed.

- 22. A printer device capable of installing a plurality of storage media, comprising:
- a first selection portion for selecting a 20 first storage medium from a plurality of installed storage media;
  - a second selection portion for selecting predetermined image information from image information stored in the selected first storage medium;

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copying means for copying the predetermined image information selected by said second selection portion to a second storage medium different from the first storage medium;

printing means for printing predetermined image information selected by said second selection portion; and

a continuous drive mode specification portion capable of specifying a continuous drive mode in which an operation of copying the predetermined image information to the second storage medium and an operation of printing the same image information can be continuously performed.